DECLARATION FOR ORIGINAL U.S. PATENT APPLICATION

Attorney's Docket No. ALTRP110/A1238

As a below-named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe that I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled: **METHODS AND APPARATUS FOR GENERATING PROGRAMMABLE DEVICE LAYOUT INFORMATION**, the specification of which,

| (check one) | 1. is attached hereto. | |
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| | 2 was filed on U.S. Application No and was amended on | |
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| I hereby state that I ha amended by any amende | ve reviewed and understand the contents of the nent referred to above. | above-identified specification, including the claims, as |
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I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, § 120 of any United States application(s), or § 365(c) of any PCT International application designating the United States, listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States or PCT International application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, § 112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56 which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§1.36 and 3.71, ALTERA CORPORATION, ("assignee"), a Delaware corporation having a place of business at 101 Innovation Drive, San Jose, California 95134, assignee of record of the entire interest of the above-identified application, hereby revokes all powers of attorney previously given and appoints the following attorneys and agents to prosecute and transact all business in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith: Steve D Beyer (Reg. No. 31,234); Jeffrey K. Weaver (Reg. No. 31,314); C. Douglass Thomas (Reg. No. 32,947); Jonathan O. Scott (Reg. No. 39,364); James E. Austin (Reg. No. 39,489); Joseph M. Villeneuve (Reg. No. 37,460); Thomas C. Sylke (Reg. No. 32,312); Godfrey K. Kwan (Reg. No. 46,850); Desmund Gean (Reg. No. 52,937) all of the law firm of BEYER, WEAVER & THOMAS, LLP, and Derek E. Minihane, Reg. No. 39,774 of ALTERA CORPORATION, with full power of substitution and revocation, to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith.

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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 3.73, assignee certifies that to the best of assignee's knowledge and belief it is the assignee of the entire right, title, and interest in and to the above-referenced patent application and represents that the undersigned is a representative authorized and empowered to sign on behalf of the assignee. Assignee has reviewed the assignment document that evidences the placement of title in the assignee, a true and correct copy of which is attached hereto.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §3.71, the assignee hereby states that prosecution of the above-referenced patent application is to be conducted to the exclusion of the inventor(s).

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